

Amendments to the Claims

1. (Currently amended) An on-vehicle navigation system ~~which provides for providing~~ guidance ~~not with map display but simply~~ with at least one of one or more characters ~~and/or~~ and one or more symbols and not a map display, said on-vehicle navigation system comprising:

a data storage section ~~for storing~~ operable to store map data;
an input section ~~through which~~ operable to receive a destination ~~is inputted~~;
a position detection section ~~for detecting~~ operable to detect a current position of a vehicle;
a route search section ~~for finding~~ operable to find a recommended route from ~~said the~~ current position to ~~said the~~ destination using ~~said the~~ map data;

a guidance data generation section ~~for generating~~ operable to generate, from ~~said the~~ map data and ~~said the~~ recommended route, guidance data ~~needed~~ for the guidance;

a guidance section ~~for providing~~ operable to provide the guidance ~~in a manner~~ based on ~~said the~~ guidance data and ~~said the~~ current position; and

an output section ~~for making~~ operable to generate at least one of a display output ~~and/or~~ using the at least one of the one or more characters and the one or more symbols and a sound output about the guidance provided by said guidance section, wherein

when the current position of the vehicle is on ~~said the~~ recommended route after passing a guidance point, said guidance section ~~provides~~ is operable to provide a message ~~telling~~ indicating that the vehicle is driving properly.

2. (Currently amended) An on-vehicle navigation system ~~which provides for providing~~ guidance ~~not with map display but simply~~ with at least one of one or more characters ~~and/or~~ and one or more symbols and not a map display, said on-vehicle navigation system comprising:

a data storage section ~~for storing~~ operable to store map data;
an input section ~~through which~~ operable to receive a destination ~~is inputted~~;
a position detection section ~~for detecting~~ operable to detect a current position of a vehicle;

a route search section ~~for finding~~ operable to find a recommended route from ~~said the~~ current position to ~~said the~~ destination using ~~said the~~ map data;

a guidance data generation section ~~for generating~~ operable to generate, from ~~said the~~ map data and ~~said the~~ recommended route, guidance data ~~composed of~~ comprising guidance information ~~needed~~ for the guidance, and area information corresponding to a predetermined point in ~~the a~~ the vicinity of ~~said the~~ recommended route;

a guidance section ~~for providing~~ operable to provide the guidance ~~in a manner~~ based on ~~said the~~ guidance data and ~~said the~~ current position; and

an output section ~~for making~~ operable to generate at least one of a display output ~~and/or using~~ the at least one or more characters and the at least one or more symbols and a sound output about the guidance provided by said guidance section, wherein

said guidance section ~~provides~~ is operable to provide the guidance according to ~~said the~~ area information when the vehicle passes by ~~said the~~ predetermined point.

3. (Currently amended) An on-vehicle navigation system ~~which provides for providing~~ guidance ~~not with map display but simply with~~ at least one of one or more characters ~~and/or and~~ one or more symbols and not a map display, said on-vehicle navigation system comprising:

a data storage section ~~for storing~~ operable to store map data;

an input section ~~through which~~ operable to receive a destination ~~is inputted~~;

a position detection section ~~for detecting~~ operable to detect a current position of a vehicle;

a route search section ~~for finding~~ operable to find a recommended route from ~~said the~~ current position to ~~said the~~ destination using ~~said the~~ map data;

a guidance data generation section ~~for generating~~ operable to generate, from ~~said the~~ map data and ~~said the~~ recommended route, guidance data ~~composed of~~ comprising guidance information ~~needed~~ for the guidance, and predetermined destination information about ~~said the~~ destination and therearound;

a guidance section ~~for providing~~ operable to provide the guidance ~~in a manner~~ based on ~~said the~~ guidance data and ~~said the~~ current position; and

an output section operable to generate at least one of ~~for making~~ a display output ~~and/or using~~ the at least one of the one or more characters and the at least one or more symbols and a sound output about the guidance provided by said guidance section, wherein

said guidance section ~~provides~~ is operable to provide the guidance according to ~~said the~~ destination information when the vehicle reaches ~~said the~~ destination.

4. (Currently amended) The on-vehicle navigation system according to claim 1, wherein

said guidance section ~~provides the~~ is operable to provide a message telling indicating that the vehicle is ~~driving~~ being driven properly by referring to a satisfaction level based on a proximity factor derived from distances from the current position of the vehicle to ~~said the~~ recommended route, and to another route closer thereto.

5. (Currently amended) The on-vehicle navigation system according to claim 1, wherein

said guidance data generation section ~~generates~~ is operable to generate the guidance data including area information corresponding to a predetermined point in ~~the a~~ vicinity of ~~said the~~ recommended route together with guidance information ~~needed~~ for the guidance, and

when the vehicle passes by ~~said the~~ predetermined point, said guidance section is operable to further provides provide the guidance ~~in a manner~~ based on ~~said the~~ area information.

6. (Currently amended) The on-vehicle navigation system according to claim 1, wherein

said guidance data generation section ~~generates~~ is operable to generate the guidance data including predetermined destination information about ~~said the~~ destination and therearound together with guidance information ~~needed~~ for the guidance, and

when the vehicle reaches ~~said the~~ destination, said guidance section is operable to further provides provide the guidance ~~in a manner~~ based on ~~said the~~ destination information.

7. (Currently amended) The on-vehicle navigation system according to claim 1, wherein

said guidance data generation section ~~generates~~ is operable to generate the guidance data including area information corresponding to ~~the~~ a predetermined point in ~~the~~ a vicinity of ~~said~~ the recommended route, and predetermined destination information about ~~said~~ the destination and therearound together with guidance information ~~needed~~ for the guidance, and

said guidance section is operable to further ~~provides~~ provide the guidance ~~in a manner~~ based on ~~said~~ the area information when the vehicle passes by ~~said~~ the predetermined point, and the guidance ~~in a manner~~ based on ~~said~~ the destination information when the vehicle reaches ~~said~~ the destination.